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Grand Opening of Fire Station 2 in Historic Niles

Fremont, CA – February 9, 2010 – Thanks to the Fremont voters who approved the Fire Safety Bond in 2002, the new Fire Station #2 located at 37299 Niles Blvd in the City of Fremont will celebrate its dedication on **Wednesday, February 17, 2010 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This is the third of three new fire stations to be completed as a part of the Fire Safety Bond Program. The construction team worked together with the Niles community as they designed the new Station 2 where Charlie Chaplin and Broncho Billy movies were filmed at the turn of the century.

Here are some facts and figures about the new Fire Station #2:

- ✓ Location: Downtown Niles District on Niles Blvd.
- ✓ Size: 7,600 square feet with two apparatus bays for vehicles. It includes bi-fold front doors.
- ✓ It replaces a station which is approximately 3,700 square feet and is located at 37645 2nd Street. The 2nd Street Fire Station was built in 1952 through the efforts of the Niles volunteer firefighters.
- ✓ Construction cost: 3.8 million - Construction started: September 2008.

Mike Avila, a retired Fire Captain from the Fremont Fire Department, who has an extensive background in the construction field, was hired as the project manager overseeing all the complexities, agencies and companies involved with building a new fire station.

The station will house: one Engine Company with three personnel. The second bay will accommodate an urban-interface fire engine and reserve fire engine.

Design: the building was designed by WLC Architects of Folsom, California utilizing guidelines from the US Green Building Council. It is designed to meet the Certified Level of compliance with these guidelines. It is constructed of materials designed to be highly durable and energy efficient. This should help to increase the life of the building and reduce maintenance costs to the citizens of Fremont. Fire Station 2 will be the second LEED certified city building.

Expected lifespan: 75 to 100 years

Please RSVP Doreen Zaarour at DZaarour@fremont.gov by email or call 510.494.4286 if you plan on attending due to the expected large turn out.